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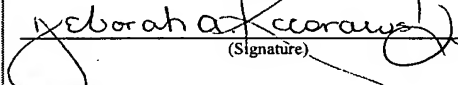
Title: DEVICE FOR
REMOVING PLANTS
OR THE LIKE FROM
GROUND

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified patent application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the Issue Fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a Notice of Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: ‡(check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

[X] Please enter and consider the Reply and Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.113 and 1.116 previously filed on October 14, 2005 (8 pages).

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b. Enclosed are:

☒ Copy of Reply and Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.113 and 1.116 previously filed on October 14, 2005 (8 pages).

The filing fee is calculated below:

| | Claims as Amended | Previously Paid For | Extra Claims Present | Rate | Fee Totals |
|--|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------|------------|
| RCE Fee 1.17(e): | | | | \$790.00 | = \$790.00 |
| Total Claims: | 6 | - 20 | = 0 | x \$50.00 | = \$0.00 |
| Independents | 1 | - 3 | = 0 | x \$200.00 | = \$0.00 |
| First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims: | | | | + \$360.00 | = \$0.00 |
| CLAIMS FEE TOTAL: | | | | | = \$790.00 |

☒ The Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the first month: | \$120.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the second month: | \$450.00 | | \$450.00 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the fifth month: | \$2,160.00 | | \$0.00 |
| EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL: | | | \$450.00 |
| EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: | | | - \$0.00 |
| EXTENSION FEE TOTAL | | | \$450.00 |
| CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL: | | | \$1240.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above): | | | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) | | | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL FEE: | | | \$1240.00 |


☒ Check No. 16170 in the amount of **\$1240.00** to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

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Respectfully submitted,

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